The Hennys', Middleton and Twinstead Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8th October at Twinstead Village Hall.

Present: Parish Cllrs T. Humphreys(Chairman), D. Holland, A. Lyster, R. Manby, J. Symonds, R. Barnes, M. Cracknell, A. Scattergood, A. Smart

County Cllr. D. Finch

120, 2017/18 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from District Cllr. W. Scattergood

121. 2017/18 Public Speaking

None present

122. 2017/18 Declarations of Interest on agenda items below

Received from Cllr. Scattergood

123. 2017/18 Approval of minutes

The minutes from July 2018 meeting were signed by Cllr. Humphreys on the proviso of two amendments raised by Cllr. Holland and Cllr. Scattergood. Amended minutes to be circulated.

124. 2017/18 District/County Councillors' reports

County Cllr. Finch reported on the county finances. He advised that the PC should consider applying under the Local Service Fund.

125. 2017/18 Environmental Issues

Cllr. Scattergood reported on the camping business being run near the Twinstead T. This will be investigated further by Cllr. Manby and an update will be given.

Cllr. Scattergood reported on the Valley farm "Fompfest" which took place in August. There had been a number of complaints received. Cllr. Humphreys informed the PC that the organisers have been issued with a Noise Abatement Notice by BDC. Cllr. Cracknell has spoken to the landowner and has been assured the event will not take place next year. The Chairman will be sending a letter to BDC outlining the complaints.

126. 2017/18 Highways/PROW maintanance

Cllr. Smart reported on the need for the trees on Twinstead Green to be pruned. Highway signs damaged and concealed. Clerk to report. Potholes on Church Road are still present. Clerk to report.

Cllr. Lyster raised the issue of village noticeboards in disrepair. The Chairman suggested his neighbour, New Zealand Tim, would be an ideal person to approach to quote for the repair work. The chairman is also to look into the cost of replacing all noticeboards. Cll. Scattergood suggested the Clerk for Lamarsh should be contacted on this matter. Clerk to action.

127. 2017/18 To consider correspondence received/matters for report

The Chairman mentioned the email referencing polling stations. Cllr. Scattergood commented on the email received regarding the District Plan.

128. 2017/18 Planning

Waltham, Henny Street (18/00014/REF). Cllr. Scattergood proposed that the PC reiterate their original decision on this. The original letter is to be resent to Planning by the Clerk.

129. 2017/18 Parish Council Finance

Cllr. Symonds reported that the internal audit was complete and signed off. It was suggested that funds be made available for Clerk training. All agreed.

Another suggestion was that the Clerk has mentoring from an experienced PC Clerk (Alphamstone?)

A new internal auditor needs to be found. Cllrs. Cracknell and Lyster suggested that EALC are contacted to advise on this. Clerk to action.

Date of the next meeting Monday 10th December at Henny Parish Room

Meeting closed at 9.27pm